

REMARKS

Telephone Conference

The Examiner called on November 2, 2004 to inform Applicants that the claims appeared to be in condition of allowance upon the submission of a properly executed terminal disclaimer. The terminal disclaimer presented in the previously filed Amendment was not appropriate because it was not signed by an attorney named in the power of attorney in the case. Applicants gratefully acknowledge the pending allowance of all claims and submit herewith a substitute terminal disclaimer signed by one of the attorneys named in the power of attorney for this case. Applicants respectfully request that the double patenting rejection be withdrawn in light of the submission of this terminal disclaimer.

Applicants have also noticed that a common typographical error existed in claims 2-6. The amendments presented above correct the reference to "step e)" so that it now reads "step d)". Applicants request entry of the amendments addressing these typographical errors.

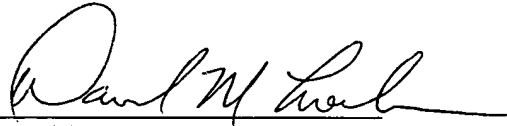
Conclusion

After entry of the above-presented amendments and acceptance of the enclosed terminal disclaimer, all pending claims are patentable over the references of record.

Reexamination and allowance of all pending claims are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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